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EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO FILE NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR FOR BAY-DELTA WATER RIGHTS HEARING

In response to requests received by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), the deadline for submitting a Notice of Intent to Appear for the Bay-Delta Water Rights Hearing has been extended until May 7, 1998. Parties who previously filed a Notice of Intent to Appear do not need to refile. The SWRCB issued the hearing notice on December 2, 1997. The hearing was originally scheduled to commence on March 9, 1998, but was rescheduled. No new dates for the hearing will be set until after the SWRCB's workshop on April 21, 1998; however, the parties are advised that the hearing will commence as soon after April 21, 1998 as possible. Notice of the April 21st workshop is enclosed with this letter. The SWRCB intends to mail a supplemental hearing notice for the rescheduled hearing to the parties immediately following the workshop. Please call Renee Frazier at (916) 657-1361 to request copies of previous SWRCB notices.

This letter supersedes certain instructions that were specified by the December 2, 1997 hearing notice. Anyone who only wishes to present a policy statement is not required to submit a Notice of Intent to Appear. The SWRCB requests, however, that notices be submitted for policy statements in order to aid in scheduling the hearing. Also, parties who intend to present expert witness testimony at the hearing should submit the statements of qualifications for their expert witnesses with their exhibits.

If they have not already done so, parties who wish to appear at the hearing must submit twenty copies of their Notices of Intent to Appear to the SWRCB. The copies must be received by the SWRCB by 5:00 p.m. on May 7, 1998. Copies sent by fax will not be accepted. Parties who submit Notices of Intent to Appear after 5:00 p.m. on May 7, 1998 may be excluded from participating in the hearing. A sample Notice of Intent to Appear form is enclosed for your use. You are not required to use the form; however, you should provide all requested information.

Notices of Intent to Appear should be mailed to the following address:

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